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Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application, as follows:

Inventor: Dilip M. Ranade  
Title: Coordinated Dirty Block Tracking  
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30 pages Specification (not including claims)  
5 pages Claims  
1 page Abstract  
7 Sheets of Drawings (Figs. 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6)  
2 pages Declaration For Patent Application and Power of Attorney  
1 page Recordation Form Cover Sheet (in duplicate)  
1 page Assignment  
1 page NonPublication Request

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	Title	Coordinated Dirty Block Tracking	
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